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May 15, 2007

IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: MP-2

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
TO THE COUNTY ROAD FUND AND
APPROVAL OF ACQUISITION AND SETTLEMENT
FOR FLORENCE AVENUE BUS TURNOUT (49)
PARCELS 5RE, 5T, 6RE, 6T, 7RE, 7T, 8RE, AND 8T
UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the enclosed Appropriation Adjustment transferring \$575,000 from the Road Fund's Fiscal Year 2006-07 Services and Supplies appropriation to the Road Fund's Other Charges appropriation. This transfer is necessary to cover unanticipated costs to purchase right of way for various County road projects.
2. Approve the acquisition of a permanent easement for public road and highway purposes along Florence Avenue, Parcels 5RE, 6RE, 7RE, and 8RE, and easements for temporary construction area along Florence Avenue, Parcels 5T, 6T, 7T, and 8T, for \$237,500.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Appropriation Adjustment in Public Works' Road Fund is needed to finance the cost of right of way acquisition required for the Florence Avenue Bus Turnout, Saddle Peak at Mile Marker 0.18, Hume Road at Briarbluff Drive, Hawthorne Boulevard and Scott Avenue road improvement projects. During preparation of the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Road Fund Budget, the Department did not anticipate the need for right of way payout for these five projects. The right of way acquisition for the Florence Avenue Bus

Turnout project is ready to be processed at this time. We will return to your Board later this fiscal year for approval of the acquisitions for the other projects when they are ready to be consummated.

The approval of acquisition and settlement for the Florence Avenue Bus Turnout project will allow the County of Los Angeles to purchase a permanent easement for public road and highway purposes and temporary construction easements by direct negotiations. The property is located along Florence Avenue between Cottage Street and Roseberry Avenue in the unincorporated County area of Walnut Park and is owned by La Alameda, LLC. The purpose of this project is to construct a bus turnout to improve vehicular circulation and transit mobility allowing residents to use mass transit improving their quality of life and the environment.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The approval of the Appropriation Adjustment and acquisition and settlement for the Florence Avenue Bus Turnout project are consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence, as they will allow the acquisition of road rights of way for construction of road improvements, which improve the quality of life of the residents of the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This adjustment of \$575,000 in the Road Fund will provide \$237,500 for the Florence Avenue Bus Turnout project right of way acquisition and an additional \$337,500 for right of way acquisitions anticipated for Saddle Peak at Mile Marker 0.18, Hume Road at Brianbluff Drive, Hawthorne Boulevard, and Scott Avenue road improvement projects.

The funds necessary for this Appropriation Adjustment are available in the Road Fund as certain other road projects will not proceed to construction this fiscal year due to unanticipated delays in the project schedules. The funds needed for the construction of the delayed projects are included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2007-08 Road Fund Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

La Alameda, LLC, executed an Agreement to Convey and Claim for Payment and signed the Road Deed in favor of the County of Los Angeles. Acquisitions in excess of \$25,000 must be approved by your Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The approval of an Appropriation Adjustment does not require an environmental determination under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The acquisition of right of way associated with a project is subject to the provisions of the CEQA. The Revised Negative Declaration for the Florence Avenue Bus Turnout project was approved by your Board on August 29, 2006.

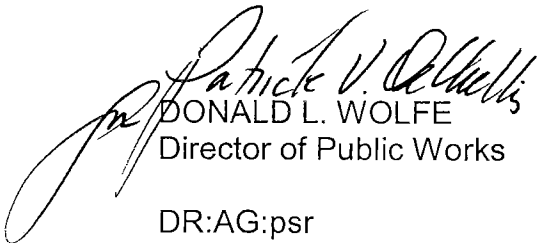
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The Appropriation Adjustment will not have any impact on the current services or projects.

CONCLUSION

These actions are in the County's best interest. Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,



DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Auditor-Controller (Accounting Division - Asset Management)
Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

NO. 690

April 5, 2007

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO
 ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR

ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

3-VOTE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT
FISCAL YEAR 2006-07

SOURCES

PW - Road Fund

B03 - PW - 2000 - 47000

\$575,000.00

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

DECREASE APPROPRIATION

USES

PW - Road Fund

B03 - PW - 5500 - 47000

\$575,000.00

OTHER CHARGES

INCREASE APPROPRIATION

\$575,000.00
\$575,000.00
JUSTIFICATION

This adjustment is necessary to provide sufficient appropriation in Other Charges to cover unanticipated right of way purchase costs for various County road projects.

(Control No. 07-13)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT


 DONALD L. WOLFE, Director

 REFERRED TO THE CHIEF
 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR...

ACTION

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

AS REVISED

RECOMMENDATION

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

BY

 APPROVED (AS REVISED):
 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

NO. 230

APR 25, 2007